

# North District E-newsletter, May 2010

Questions? Have an item to contribute? Please contact Ed Pottharst, [ed.pottharst@seattle.gov](mailto:ed.pottharst@seattle.gov), 684-7526. Ed is the North District Neighborhoods Coordinator at the Lake City Neighborhood Service Center, 12525 28th Ave. NE, above the Lake City branch library. Center hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Center accepts bill payments and passport applications, and has community information. The Center also has a meeting room (up to 25 people) for free community use. Please call 684-7526 or email Ed if you would like to reserve it.

## Events and Community Information

### Emergency Preparedness Program -- Wednesday, May 5, 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

@ Holy Trinity Eritrean Church, 12327 15th Ave. NE

In Pinehurst across from Safeway redevelopment site.

Open to everyone. Feel free to join the North District Council meeting taking place from 6:30 to 7:30pm immediately prior to this program (same place--see Community Group Meetings below for more information).

During this fun and informative program, learn about the hazards we're most likely to face in Washington, how to take a quake-safe action wherever you are and how to take care of yourself and family. Personal preparedness focus includes putting together an emergency kit, making a family plan and learning skills that keep you safe and self-sufficient.

Information: Debbie Goetz, Seattle Office of Emergency Management, 684-0517, [debbie.goetz@seattle.gov](mailto:debbie.goetz@seattle.gov).

### Lake City Market Days, Thursdays, May 6 - October 7, 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

May 6 is Opening Day!

Along Lake City Way and NE 125th St. in the business district.

Come take a walk and visit participating shops. Listen for music spilling out of shops, food samples being offered, and the neighborhood celebrating the pioneering spirit of Lake City.

Contact: Diane Haugen, [chamber@lakecitychamber.org](mailto:chamber@lakecitychamber.org), 363-3287.

### Green Seattle Partnership Workparty -- Saturday, May 15, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

@ Thornton Natural Area, at NE 104th Street entrance

Weeding and plant maintenance.

Tools and refreshments provided.

Volunteers should wear gloves, long sleeves, long slacks, and sturdy shoes.

Contact: Cheryl Klinker, 367-4635, [cakaea@comcast.net](mailto:cakaea@comcast.net)

### Lake City Playground Family Picnic -- Saturday, May 15, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

@ Lake City Playground, behind Lake City Professional Center (old Lake City school)

Come join this family picnic open to all. It will include various family sporting and fun activities for kids and adults. Please bring your own food and drinks.

Sponsored by Holy Trinity Eritrean Church & HOPE-Eritrean Social Services (Pinehurst) and supported by Seattle Parks & Recreation.

Information: Tsegay Berhe, [segalweb@aol.com](mailto:segalweb@aol.com), or Terri Burns, [terri.burns@seattle.gov](mailto:terri.burns@seattle.gov).



## **Greenwood Streetscapes Open House -- Tuesday, May 18, 6:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**

**@ Greenwood Library**

**Although this sidewalks open house pertains to Greenwood, it might be relevant to North District neighbors.**

**Greenwood Streetscapes is a group of neighbors working with consultants on a web-based planning project that will help blocks of people who want sidewalks by providing them with the tools they need to get them. The nearly \$200K project is funded by neighborhood donations and a \$100,000 award from the City of Seattle Neighborhood Matching Fund program.**

**The tools include an easy-to-use step by step guide to walkable streetscapes, GIS maps of every block without sidewalks in Greenwood, schematic ideas that match a variety of typical conditions in the neighborhood, a matrix of streetscape choices that include both traditional and attractive alternative solutions, a comprehensive list of possible funding/financing options that include ways for people to pay for their own sidewalks, and more. This is a great way to get and stay connected with your neighbors in block-based groups and to enjoy the fun, informative, and creative opportunities for both adults & kids at the Open House.**

## **NE Seattle Walking Maps Available!**

**@ Lake City Neighborhood Service Center, community centers, libraries, and some businesses**

**Pick up your own free Feet First trail guide for Northeast Seattle Trails. The map area covers Jackson Park in the north, Sand Point to the east, Laurelhurst to the south, and I-5 to the west.**

## **Spring Clean Your Neighborhood**

**It's Time for Spring Clean**

**City-Sponsored Neighborhood Cleanup Runs April - May**

**SEATTLE - Spring has arrived and Seattleites are gearing up to take part in the city's longest-running neighborhood cleanup program - Spring Clean.**

**Spring Clean, now in its 24th year, runs from April through May.**

**City officials estimate more than 12,000 volunteers have participated in recent years.**

**Spring Clean activities include painting out graffiti, picking up litter and illegally dumped materials, stenciling storm drains, cleaning school yards, removing invasive plants in planting strips and traffic circles, and planting trees. All projects are conducted on public property.**

**The City of Seattle supports volunteers with FREE bags, gloves, safety vests, and waste disposal (available at the Neighborhood Service Center). Spring Clean information, including neighborhood cleanup activities and sign-up packets, is available by calling (206) 233-7187 or by visiting [www.seattle.gov/util/springclean](http://www.seattle.gov/util/springclean).**

**Spring Clean is a partnership between Seattle residents and Seattle Public Utilities, Parks and Recreation, the Department of Neighborhoods, and the Seattle Department of Transportation.**

## **Seattle Youth Commission Seeks New Members**

**The Seattle Youth Commission (SYC) connects and engages Seattle's youth in the City's civic participatory process, exposing our elected officials to the voices and perspectives of YOUTH. This is a great opportunity for young people to develop their leadership, facilitation and public speaking skills and network with City Lawmakers, local community leaders, and other youth.**

**Youth Commissioners are expected to:**

**\*organize a series of youth community meetings,**



- \*research, construct, and present policy recommendations to the Seattle Mayor and City Council, and
- \*take part in the planning the annual Seattle Youth Town Hall

Check out more information about the Seattle Youth Commission at [www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/syc](http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/syc)

If you have some students you think would be interested in this program or who you think would particularly benefit from this program, please connect them to this opportunity!

FYI- Youth Commissioners have the potential to earn 60+ Service Learning Hours through their involvement in SYC.

Deadline May 12, 2010 5 p.m.

Contact: Jenny Frankl, Seattle Youth Commission Program Coordinator, 733-9588, [jenny.frankl@seattle.gov](mailto:jenny.frankl@seattle.gov) .

## City Wants Your Ideas for "Holding Patterns"

The Seattle Design Commission wants your ideas for "Holding Patterns": interim uses for stalled project sites. Whether a concert space or a bumper car track, basketball hoops or a fleeting performance stage, from temporary to semi-permanent, wacky, practical or both, we welcome any and all ideas. The City is also contemplating a pilot project with interim uses to encourage adaptations in surface parking lots--things like street food vending and pocket parks or performances. Please send your ideas by May 24 to Valerie Kinast, Seattle Design Commission Coordinator, 233-7911, [valerie.kinast@seattle.gov](mailto:valerie.kinast@seattle.gov) .

## Neighborhood Matching Fund due dates:

Small and Simple applications (second 2010 round): Monday, July 12

## Seattle Police Department Crime Prevention

Diane Horswill, Seattle Police Department Crime Prevention Coordinator, is available for residential and small business public safety talks. You can schedule a new Block Watch meeting or a maintenance meeting for your block. Contact Diane at [diane.horswill@seattle.gov](mailto:diane.horswill@seattle.gov) or 684-7711.

## Small Sparks Community Development Awards Are Waiting!

Do you have ideas for building community that could use up to \$1,000 from the City's Small Sparks program? Small Sparks involves people in creative small-scale community-building initiatives. For example, a group of Lake City residents received an award to help pay for a summer outdoor movie night at Little Brook Park in Lake City. If you have any ideas, we would love to help you carry them out. Please see <http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/nmf/smallsparks.htm> or email

[ed.pottharst@seattle.gov](mailto:ed.pottharst@seattle.gov) .

## Community Blogs

Lake City Live - <http://www.lakecitylive.net/>

NEW! Lake City KOMO - <http://lakecity.komonews.com>

Maple Leaf Life - <http://mapleleaflife.com/>

Outer Limits: the Lake City blog - <http://blog.seattlepi.com/lakecity/>



**Pinehurst Community - <http://pinehurstcommunity.blogspot.com>**

## Community Group Meetings

**Lake City Chamber of Commerce Luncheon - Wednesday, May 19, 11:30 a.m.**

**@ GenCare at Remington Place, 3025 NE 137th St.**

Speaker: Katie Evans on "Million Dollar Secrets of a Marketing Queen."

For reservations or more information, contact Diane Haugen, [chamber@lakecitychamber.org](mailto:chamber@lakecitychamber.org) , 363-3287.

**Lake City Community Council - Wednesday, May 19, 7:00 p.m.**

**@ Seattle Mennonite Church, 3120 NE 125th St.**

Speakers: Diane Haugen (Lake City Chamber of Commerce) and Karen Selander (City Office of Economic Development)

Topics: Lake City businesses: how are they doing? What funds and programs are available to help them? What new businesses would the community like?

For more information, contact Cheryl Klinker, [cakaea@comcast.net](mailto:cakaea@comcast.net), 367-4635.

**Lake City Development Council - Wednesday, May 26, 7:30 a.m.**

**@ Lake City Library, 12501 28th Ave. NE**

For more information, contact Joe Simmons, [build@joesimmons.com](mailto:build@joesimmons.com), 362-7227.

**Lake City Task Force on Homelessness - Friday, May 14, 3:30 p.m.**

**@ Seattle Mennonite Church, 3200 NE 125th St.**

For more information, contact Melanie Neufeld, [seattlesdr@gmail.com](mailto:seattlesdr@gmail.com) , 361-4630.

**Maple Leaf Community Council - no May meeting**

**@ Olympic View Elementary School, NE 95th Street and 5th Avenue NE**

For more information, contact Marc Phillips, [marc.phillips@mapleleafcommunity.org](mailto:marc.phillips@mapleleafcommunity.org) , 276-2567.

**Meadowbrook Community Council - Tuesday, May 11, 7:00 p.m.**

**@ Meadowbrook Community Center, 10517 35th Ave. NE**

Community event with "Planet Rhythm," troupe of dancers ages 9-14. Also:

Students from Nathan Hale Horticulture Program

Cafe Lati

Meadowbrook Farmers Market

Lake City Farmers Market

Lake City Market Days & Market Bucks

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Community Garden in Meadowbrook

For more information, contact Renee Barton, [president@meadowbrookcouncil.org](mailto:president@meadowbrookcouncil.org) , 367-5764.

**North District Council - Wednesday, May 5, 6:30 p.m. (note time and location change)**

**@ Holy Trinity Eritrean Church, 12327 15th Ave. NE**

**(in Pinehurst across the street from the Safeway redevelopment site)**

6:30-7:30--Speakers: Seattle City Council member Richard Conlin and State Representative Scott White.

7:30-8:30--Emergency preparedness program from Seattle Office of Emergency Management.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, contact: Phil Shack, [philip.shack@gmail.com](mailto:philip.shack@gmail.com) , 954-8179, or Ed Pottharst, [ed.pottharst@seattle.gov](mailto:ed.pottharst@seattle.gov).

**North Precinct Advisory Council - Wednesday, May 5, 7:00 p.m.**

**@ North Seattle Community College - New Student Club Room (9600 College Way North)**

Speaker: the Honorable Judith M. Hightower, Seattle Municipal Court Judge.

For more information, contact William Murray, [gainthehighland@gmail.com](mailto:gainthehighland@gmail.com) .

**Northgate Chamber of Commerce After Hours - Thursday, May 20, 6:00 p.m.****@ Watertown - Unique Urban Hotel, 4242 Roosevelt Way NE**

"Meet and Greet " Networking Mixer with light refreshments and beverages/wine

For more information, contact Tatyana Sineeva, 733-0115, [info@northgatechamber.com](mailto:info@northgatechamber.com) .**North Seattle Service Providers****@ North Seattle Family Center, 3200 NE 125th St., Suite #2**For more information, contact Ann Fuller, [annf@chs-wa.org](mailto:annf@chs-wa.org), 364-7930.**Pinehurst Community Council**For more information, check out the Pinehurst community blog: <http://pinehurstcommunity.blogspot.com/> .**Thornton Creek Alliance -- next meeting in June****@ Lake City Presbyterian Church, 3841 NE 123rd St.**For more information: Ruth Williams, [ruthalice@comcast.net](mailto:ruthalice@comcast.net) , 365-8965.**Thornton Creek Watershed Oversight Council -- Wednesday, May 26, 7:00 p.m.****@ Saint Matthew's Parish and School, 1240 NE 127th Street.**

In the Community Hall behind the office and plaza.

Parking in lot on east side of parish and school.

For more information, contact Cheryl Klinker, 252-0096 day, [cakaea@comcast.net](mailto:cakaea@comcast.net) .

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